

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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**--FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

B1 The invention concerns a laminated or extruded flat flexible cable, also called electrical flat conductor, ~~according to the introductory part of Claim 1.~~

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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**--BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

B2 According to the invention, it is proposed for this purpose in a flat flexible cable ~~according to the introductory part of Claim 1 to implement the features of the characterizing part of Claim 1, namely~~ to stagger the widths of the conductor tracks in an arithmetic sequence, to keep the spacings between adjacent conductor tracks always of the same size or also staggered in an arithmetic sequence with the same difference as the width of the conductor track and preferably to perform contacting of the conductor tracks regardless of their width by means of connectors, for example, strip terminals whose contacts are provided equidistant from each other at a spacing equal to the width of the narrowest conductor track, multiplied by the base distance between adjacent conductor tracks. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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B3 -- In one embodiment of the invention, it is proposed to choose as grid size 2.54 mm (0.1 inch) so that the width of the conductor tracks is a whole-number multiple of 2.54 mm and to choose as spacing between adjacent conductor tracks 1 mm to create electrical insulation so that the narrowest conductor track has a width of 1.54 mm, the next one  $2 \times 2.54 - 1$  mm, the next one  $3 \times 2.54 - 1$  mm, etc. Similarly, the spacing between adjacent conductor tracks is 1

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mm or 1 mm plus a whole-number multiple of 2.54 mm, so that the base spacing between adjacent conductor tracks is 1 mm, the next one  $2.54 + 1$  mm, the next one  $2 \times 2.54 + 1$  mm, the next one  $3 \times 2.54 + 1$  mm, etc. This permits particularly simple connection to the generally used PCB circuit boards, as are commonly used in the automotive industry, but also elsewhere in electronics.

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At page 2, immediately preceding line 28, please insert the following heading:

**B4**  
-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING --

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At page 2, immediately preceding line 33, please insert the following heading:

**B5**  
-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS --

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

**B6**  
-- Ordinarily an attempt is made merely for space and cost reasons to get by with the spacings 4 between adjacent conductor tracks being the base spacing between adjacent conductor tracks, but when this is not possible or desired, the objective of the invention can also be achieved by the mentioned staggering. --

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